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E. O. 11652:GDS  
TAGS: EAIR, FR  
SUBJECT: BONN SUMMIT: ANTI HIJACKING DECLARATION

REF: A)PARIS 23720 (NOTAL), B)PARIS 24988,  
C)STATE 198194

1. EMBASSY CONTACTED CLAUDE LAFONTAINE ON AUGUST 10  
BUT SHE DECLINED TO RESPOND IMMEDIATELY TO OUR DE-  
MARCHE. SHE PROMISED, HOWEVER, TO CONSULT FURTHER WITH  
DE GOUTTES OF THE QUAI'S LEGAL OFFICE, THE ONLY MEMBER  
OF THE GOF DELEGATION TO THE BONN MEETING PRESENTLY IN  
PARIS.

2. WE STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE THE U.S. ATTACHES TO  
MAINTAINING THE MOMENTUM OF THIS EFFORT TO COMBAT  
TERRORISM, AND THE HOPE THAT FRANCE WOULD PARTICIPATE IN  
THE JOINT DEMARCHES. WE ASKED THAT THE FRG BE INFORMED  
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OF THE FRENCH'S INTENTIONS. FINALLY, WE ASKED THAT IN-  
STRUCTIONS REGARDING THE DEMARCHES BE ISSUED TO FRENCH  
EMBASSIES.

3. SHE REPLIED THAT THE NOTES OF THE FRENCH DELEGATION  
ON THE BONN MEETING INDICATED THAT THE FRENCH HAD EX-  
PRESSED RESERVATIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE PROPER MECHAN-

ISM FOR CARRYING OUT THE DEMARCHES, BUT NOT WITH THE PRINCIPLE OF OBTAINING STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE DECLARATION.

4. WE TOLD MISS CLAUDE LAFONTAINE THAT BASED ON OUR REPORT OF THE MEETING, MOST OF THE QUESTIONS RAISED BY THE FRENCH DELEGATION WERE OF A LEGAL NATURE IN CONTRAST TO WHAT DE SEDOUY HAD TOLD US PRIOR TO THE MEETINGS (REF A). SHE REPLIED THAT IN SUCH CASES IT WAS HARD TO DISSOCIATE LEGAL FROM POLITICAL QUESTIONS.

5. FURTHERMORE, SHE RAISED THE QUESTION OF HUMANITARIAN CONSIDERATIONS IN THE CASE OF A HIJACKED AIRCRAFT RUNNING LOW ON FUEL. WOULD THE PLANE STILL BE REFUSED LANDING RIGHTS? APPARENTLY, THIS QUESTION WAS MEANT TO INDICATE ALL CONSEQUENCES OF THE PROPOSED SANCTIONS MUST BE THOROUGHLY WORKED OUT BEFOREHAND.

6. CLAUDE LAFONTAINE WAS CONFIDENT THAT ALL DEMARCHES WOULD BE COMPLETED BY THE AGREED DATE OF AUGUST 31. WE WILL COMMUNICATE FURTHER DETAILS BASED ON DE GOUTTE'S COMMENTS AS SOON AS AVAILABLE.  
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